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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
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THROUGH   : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

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National Intelligence Officer for Africa

SUBJECT   : Libyan Activities in Northern Chad ☐   25X1

1. Habre has been repeatedly telling us that Libyan activity in, and immediately south of, the Aozou Strip has been increasing markedly. ☐   25X1

2. We now have clear evidence ☐ that what   25X1
Habre has been telling us is true. ☐   25X1

3. The Libyans are recruiting Chadians (presumably refugee followers of Goukouni) in Maiduguri in northern Nigeria and shipping them overland through Lagos to Cotonou in Benin. From there they are being flown to Sabha, a training base in southern Libya, for later return to northern Chad. ☐   25X1

4. Military activity in the Aozou Strip is growing, although it has not yet reached substantial proportions. Our present conclusion is that a campaign of harassment of Habre's forces by Chadians trained in Libya is planned but that there is as yet no evidence of a large-scale attack using Libyan forces.

5. I briefed Tom Pickering, our ambassador to Nigeria, on this today at his request. He believes that the Nigerians will be raising the question of Chad with Vice President Bush when he visits there shortly. At the request of his office, I will be briefing Vice President Bush on Thursday or Friday of this week on Chad, southern African and on the personalities of the heads of state he will be meeting on his trip. ☐   25X1

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find a visit by a briefing team on Chad helpful. Pickering suggested that the Nigerians might

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